

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
 : Response under 37 CFR 1.116  
 Toshifumi OTSUBO :  
 : Confirmation No. 3334  
 U.S. Patent Application No. 10/730,260 : Group Art Unit: 3761  
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 Filed: December 9, 2003 : Examiner: Melanie Jo Hand

For: PANTS-TYPE DISPOSABLE WEARING ARTICLE

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

- ☒ Additional fee is required.  
☐ Small entity status of this application has been established .  
☐ Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	24	20	4	x \$ 52 =	\$ 208.00
Independent Claims	3	3		x \$ 220	\$ 0.00
If multiple dependent claims newly presented, add \$390.00					
Fee for extension of time					
<b>TOTAL FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$ 208.00</b>

- ☒ Credit card authorization filed via EFS covers the above-listed fees.  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1337, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees

Respectfully submitted,

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